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SUBJ: GOI REQUESTS CONSULTATIONS

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- 1. BY MFA NOTE, GOI HAS REQUESTED CONSULTATIONS ON COMBINED SERVICES CAPACITY PROGRAMMED BY U.S. AIRLINES FOR THE WINTER SEASON. GOI ALSO IMPLICITLY ACCEPTS REPRESENTATION OF PAN AMERICAN'S ALL-CARGO SERVICES OUTSIDE OF REGULAR FILING PROCEDURES. TRANSLATION SUBSTANTIVE PART FOLLOWS.
- 2. BEGIN TEXT. FROM AN EXAMINATION OF THE DEFINITIVE SCHEDULES FILED BY THE UNITED STATES AIRLINE COMPANIES FOR THE WINTER SEASON OF 1976/77 THE FOLLOWING HAS EMERGED:

THE TWA COMPANY HAS CONFIRMED THE PROGRAMMING OF AN INCREASE IN CAPACITY, WITH RESPECT TO THE PRECEDING WINTER SEASON 1975/76, OF TWO WEEKLY COMBINATION SERVICES TO MILAN WHICH WERE ALREADY INCLUDED IN THE PRELIMINARY SCHEDULES (SEE NOTE VERBALE #079/15067 OF AUGUST A0358'4F25L16). THE SEABOARD COMPANY HAS RE-PROPOSED THE CHANGE OF GUAGE AT FRANKFURT FROM A B-747 TO A DC8/63F FOR ITS OWN WEEKLY SERVICES TO MILAN ALTHOUGH THE CHANGE OF GUAGE IS NOW LIMITED TO TWO WEEKLY WESTBOUND SERVICES AND ONE EASTBOUND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SERVICE;

THE PAN AMERICAN COMPANY HAS CANCELLED THE FLIGHTS FROM ISTANBUL AND TEHERAN FROM ITS ALL-CARGO SERVICES (AS WAS REQUESTED BY THE CITED NOTE VERBALE NO. 079/15067 OF AUGUST 28, 1976), AND THE REVISED SCHEDULES FOR THE ALL-CARGO SERVICES WILL BE RE-PRESENTED OUTSIDE OF REGULAR PROCEDURES.

THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT WITH REGARD TO THE TWA AND SEABOARD COMPANY SCHEDULES, CONFIRMS IN TOTO EVERYTHING COMMUNICATED EARLIER (SEE THE ABOVE CITED NOTE VERBALE) WHILE, WITH REGARD TO THE PAN AMERICAN COMPANY ALL-CARGO SERVICES, THE MINISTRY NOTES THE CANCELLATION OF THE FLIGHTS FROM ISTANBUL AND TEHERAN AND EXPECTS INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON THE REVISED SCHEDULES, MAINTAINING COMPLETELY ITS RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE CONFORMITY OF THESE SERVICES TO EXISTING UNDERSTANDINGS AND ALSO WITH REGARD TO THE TOTAL CAPACITY OF ALL-CARGO SERVICES OFFERED BY THE US COMPANIES.

IN RELATION TO THE FOREGOING, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REQUESTSNMGSGEMBKSY OF THE UNITED STATES TO COURTEOUSLY COMMUNICATE TO ITS GOVERNMENT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY, UNDER ARTICLE 5, SUBPARAGRAPH B OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, SIGNED AT ROME ON JUNE 22, 1970, REQUESTS THAT SONCULTATIONS BE HELD FOR THE JOINT EXAMINATION OF GLOBAL CAPACITY OFFERED FOR COMBINATION SERVICES, MAINTAINING THAT, AS ALREADY STATED IN NOTE VERBALE NO. 079/15067 OF AUGUST 28, THE PROGRAMMED CAPACITY OF US AIRCRAFT FOR THE COMING WINTER SEASON IS EXCESSIVE IN RESPECT TO THE EFFECTIVE TRAFFIC DEMAND, WHILE, AS FAR AS ALL-CARGO SERVICES ARE CONCERNED, THE DEFINITIVE SCHEDULE OF THE PAN AMERICAN COMPANY NOT HAVING BEEN PRESENTED AS YET, OUR POSITION IS RESERVED ON THE POSSIBILITY OF REQUESTING SIMILAR CONSULTATIONS IF THESE (PAN AMERICAN ALL-CARGO FLIGHTS) SHOULD RESULT IN EXCESSIVE TOTAL (ALL-CARGO) CAPACITY. END TEXT. **BEAUDRY**

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